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► Juno Award nominees, clockwise from top left, Justin Bieber, Avril Lavigne, Michael Bublé and Drake.

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And the award for best album goes to ...

Juno Award nominees were announced Tuesday along with news that Canadian acting icon William Shatner will host the 2012 show here in Ottawa. Best album nods went to Drake for *Take Care*, Avril Lavigne for *Goodbye Lullabye*, Michael Bublé for *Christmas*, Justin Bieber for *Under the Mistletoe* and Nickelback (not pictured) for *Here And Now*. More coverage, page 15.

If lives are at stake ...

► Directive allows CSIS to use info that may have been derived by torture ► Policy condemned by Amnesty International

The federal government has directed Canada's spy agency to use information that may have been extracted through torture in cases where public safety is at stake.

The order represents a reversal of policy for the Conservative government, which once insisted the Canadian Security Intelligence Service would discard tainted information.

Public Safety Minister Vic Toews has quietly told CSIS the government now expects the spy service to "make the protection of life and property its overriding priority."

A copy of the two-page December 2010 directive was obtained by The Canadian Press under the Access to

Information Act.

The directive from Toews expands on a May 2009 ministerial order that states CSIS must not knowingly rely upon information derived by torture, and have measures to identify tainted information.

The latest directive says in "exceptional circumstances" where there is a threat to human life or public safety, urgency may require CSIS to "share the most complete information available at the time with relevant authorities, including information based on intelligence provided by foreign agencies that may have been derived from the use of torture or mistreatment."

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Concerns remain after 'impressive' Lansdowne unveiling

Glebe resident Diane McIntyre was impressed by the city's visual presentation of the new Lansdowne Park designs, but it doesn't show the whole picture, she said.

McIntyre is concerned about the height of a planned residential tower at the intersection of Bank Street and Holmwood Avenue and how it will fit with existing architecture. Tuesday's presentation showed just a transparent placeholder where the tower will stand.

"The towers have not been designed, so we don't know what they're going to look like," McIntyre said.

Another contentious issue for her is traffic congestion.

"Poor little Bank Street is already overwhelmed. It's a traffic disaster," she said.

Coun. David Chernushenko, of Capital ward, echoed her concern on his website on Feb. 2.

"Traffic Demand Management (TDM) measures are inadequate to accommodate daily traffic and parking requirements, never mind special events," he wrote.

George Dark, chair of the Lansdowne review panel, said more traffic is expected but that "everything will be done to ensure people can walk first, bike first (and use public) transportation."

● JOE LOFARO



► An artist's rendering of Lansdowne Way. Mayor Jim Watson says the proposed redevelopment will introduce 880 trees and a new park to the district.

City raises curtain on new Lansdowne design plans

► Presentation highlights 'open concept' for commercial village and stadium ► Mayor says Lansdowne will be more 'green,' less 'grey'



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The city's Lansdowne Park design review panel delivered an inside look at the latest plans for redeveloping the area at a councilors' meeting Tuesday morning to show what the site could look like.

The 90-minute presentation was divided into four areas: Frank Clair Stadium, a new urban park, a relocated horticulture building and new mixed-use retail and residential spaces.

Mayor Jim Watson said

the Lansdowne project has divided Ottawans for years, but he hopes it will bring the city together once it's completed.

"This plan is about giving the Aberdeen and horticulture buildings the respect they deserve with new functions that will allow people to see, feel, touch and use them much more now than in the past," he said.

One of the recent changes to the plan is a height reduction of planned residences along Holmwood Avenue after negotiations with community groups, city manager

Kent Kirkpatrick said.

The site will also feature 40 street-parking spaces in addition to an underground parking garage.

Designer and panel member John Clifford said the current landscape at Lansdowne is mostly an "asphalt sea of parking" and a "huge hole in the existing urban fabric" in the Glebe.

"We wanted to make the mixed-use urban village something — along with the park — that Ottawans could use 24-7, four seasons of the year," Clifford said.

Kirkpatrick said reports

on the financial details of the plan will be released on Thursday.

Meanwhile, the Ontario Court of Appeal is deciding on a challenge to the entire project by the Friends of Lansdowne, who argue the city's deal with Ottawa Sports and Entertainment Group broke the city's own procurement rules. The city denies this.

"We are waiting for the Court of Appeal ruling and we are anticipating that at some point," Watson said. "Obviously, we'd like to proceed because I think people have waited for a long time for Lansdowne."

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Talking critical to beating depression

► Woman who struggled with depression talks about her coping strategies ► Urges others to talk to someone



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Today is Bell Let's Talk Day, with the company donating five cents to mental-health programs for every text message or long-distance call their customers make.

For Hilary Packard, who struggled with depression and suicidal thoughts throughout her adult life, finding someone to talk to wasn't easy.

"My parents saw (depression) as something you don't discuss, you don't talk about and maybe it will go away," she said.

Isolation, she said, made things worse, but "people don't want anything to do with you because you're down."

Another Option: Family Services

► It can take a year to see a psychiatrist after a doctor's referral.

► Tim Simboli, the new executive director of the Ottawa chapter of the Canadian Mental Health Association, used to head Family Services Ottawa, which he says can be a faster alternative.

She once attempted suicide by swallowing all the different anti-depressants she'd been prescribed that hadn't worked.

Today, her coping strategies include maintaining a "brag board," a bulletin board displaying her diplomas, achievements and thank-you

► "In many cases, a good social worker will provide as much benefit as a good psychologist will. The stuff that works best for most people with depression is some sort of short-term medication treatment, something that helps them just kind of get control over their depression or their anxiety, and that's matched up with a course of counselling."

notes.

If you're depressed or contemplating suicide, Packard says talking to someone is vital.

"Hopefully there's somebody you can talk to," she said. "If there isn't, for heaven's sake pick up the phone and call the distress centre or one of the help lines."



► Hilary Packard blogs about beating depression and suicidal thoughts at regainingself.com.

Deep Purple keeping new stuff under wraps



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Only in a band with Deep Purple's history could guitarist Steve Morse somehow be considered "the new guy."

"We've actually played more gigs with me as the guitarist than any other guitarist," said Morse, who joined in 1994 and this year will appear on his fifth studio album

with the hard-rock pioneers.

The band's month-long, 17-city tour of Canada hits the Ottawa Civic Centre tonight, and Morse said fans can expect the mandatory classics (Smoke on the Water, Highway Star, Hush) as well as newer material, obscure cuts from their classic albums and some instrumental jams.



► Deep Purple (from left: Don Airey, Ian Paice, Roger Glover, Ian Gillan and Steve Morse) smokes Ottawa tonight.

But their latest music remains under wraps in order to keep audience recordings from spoiling the surprise.

"If it wasn't for YouTube, we'd probably be doing one of the new songs from the album that hasn't been released yet," Morse said, admitting even he hasn't heard the lyrics to the new songs yet.

School's in session

Steve Morse is giving a guitar clinic today at Steve's Music.

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FIRST WORLD WAR SURVIVOR

Last war
vet dies
at 110

Florence Green never saw the front line. Her war was spent serving food, not dodging bullets.

But Green, who has died at age 110, was the last known surviving veteran of the First World War.

She was serving with the Women's Royal Air Force as a

waitress at an air base in eastern England when the guns fell silent in 1918.

Green died at a care home in eastern England, two weeks before her 111th birthday.

In 2008, Green remembered her wartime service with affection.

"I met dozens of pilots and would go on dates," she said.

She added: "I would work every hour God sent. But I had dozens of friends on the base and we had a great deal of fun in our spare time."



Florence Green

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Alberta Mounties
shot at rural home

Two RCMP officers were shot and wounded Tuesday while attending a rural residence southeast of Edmonton.

The two were taken to hospital for treatment, police say.

The RCMP emergency team and RCMP air services were dispatched to the scene between Loughheed and Sedgewick, an area of rolling farmland and natural-gas development about 160 kilometres from Edmonton.

The officers are from the nearby Killam detachment.

Police said a search was underway to locate an armed suspect.

Premier Alison Redford, who was briefed by the solicitor general, said one

"I'm glad there's no loss of life, but sometimes even these shootings can lead to pretty serious injuries so our hopes and prayers are with their families."

ALISON REDFORD,
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person was in custody.

The shooting evoked memories of the fatal shootings of four RCMP officers near Mayerthorpe, Alta., in 2005.

Gunman James Roszko cut down the officers while they were staking out his marijuana grow-op.

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11-death horror sparks
pleas to 'ban the vans'

► 15-seat vehicles 'death traps,' say two mourning moms ► Minister says special driver training mandatory ► Few safeguards for migrant workers

A horrendous crash that killed 10 migrant farm workers and a truck driver in rural Ontario has rekindled calls for a ban on 15-passenger vans, the kind that ferried Monday's tragic crew.

There were also calls to bulk up safeguards for agriculture labourers.

Workers'-rights advocates said the crash in Hampstead, northeast of Stratford, has brought to light the hazards faced by tens of thousands of migrant workers toiling on Ontario's farms.

Long shifts under grueling conditions leave workers exhausted and vulnerable to accidents, said Stan Raper of the Agriculture Workers Alliance.

"There has to be a more humane way to provide work to people," Raper said.

Bob Chiarelli, Ontario's Minister of Transportation, said driving a 15-passenger van requires special training and would not be permitted using a standard international licence.

The van carrying workers from Peru collided with a flatbed truck.

The impact sent the van hurtling across a lawn before smashing into the side of a house with the passenger side ripped nearly clean off.

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► OPP numbers mark the spot where 10 migrant farm workers and a truck driver died in a horrific crash in Hampstead, Ont.

Deadly toll

► The 11-death crash was the deadliest multi-vehicle crash in Ontario since 1999, when fog near Windsor caused an 87-car pileup that killed eight.

► Canada's worst road accident was in Quebec in 1997. A chartered bus taking a group of seniors on a tour plunged over an embankment near St-Joseph-de-la-Rive, killing 43 of the 48 people on board.

Vans meant
for cargo,
say moms

Two women whose sons were killed in a 15-passenger van crash four years ago in New Brunswick say the horrific collision in Ontario reinforces their belief that the large vehicles are "death traps."

Isabelle Hains and Ana Acevedo said the vans offer

no protection to passengers because they're designed to carry cargo, not people.

"How many more terrible 15-passenger-van collisions and deaths do we have to witness before our governments ... wake up," their statement says.

Hains's 17-year-old son Daniel, 17, was among seven high school basketball players killed in 2008.

Acevedo's 17-year-old son Javier also died

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Drilling at ancient lake catches a chill

► Probe may have reached sub-glacial lake sealed off from atmosphere for millions of years ► Scientists speculate Lake Vostok holds secrets about prehistoric micro-organisms ► Frigid Antarctic location restricts access

The coldest place on earth may have stopped scientists tantalizingly short of tapping into a 15-million-year-old mystery of a buried Antarctic lake.

Racing against time and plunging temperatures, Russian scientists have been drilling nearly four kilometres beneath the bleak Central Antarctic surface to reach Lake Vostok, about the size as Lake Ontario.

The Russian news agency RIA Novosti quoted sources on Monday as saying they have finally touched the liquid lake surface, 20 years after the

“If they were successful, their efforts will transform the way we do science in Antarctica and provide us with an entirely new view of what exists under the vast Antarctic ice sheet.”

ANTARCTIC SPECIALIST JOHN PRISCU OF MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY

controversial project started in earnest.

The head of the Russian mission pulled back on Tuesday, however, telling Nature magazine the data are still being analyzed to confirm the hit.

Timing is vital: The last flight out of the area left Monday as Antarctica's short summer vanished and temperatures started

falling. By February, the Russian Arctic and Antarctic Research Institute reported, temperatures on the ice above Lake Vostok hover around -42 C. In March, they fall to -61 C.

The coldest temperature on Earth, -89 C, was recorded there in 1983.

“Only when I have this (data) can I say we penetrated (the lake),” Valery

Lukin, director of the Russian Antarctic program, told Nature. “We want to be sure we have really reached the surface of Lake Vostok.”

Sensors probing nearly 3,700 metres below the surface report back information on the exact depth of ice drilled and the level of fluids in the borehole. Water extracted from the lake would be taken for analysis.

“As soon as we get it officially confirmed, this information will be disseminated among the international community,” said Lukin. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

► Prince Albert II of Monaco, third from left, poses with scientists at the Vostok research station near the South Pole in this file photo from 2009.



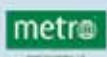
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Russians strike while it's hot — for Antarctica

This year's drilling began Jan. 2 (when temperatures are at their warmest, about -36 C during the day) and progressed by about 1.75 metres a day, the Arctic and Antarctic Research Institute has said.

When the team resumed drilling last year on Jan. 2, 2011, they had already reached 3,650 metres, Nature reported. At that time Lukin said: "We can make it."

Russian scientists and engineers plan to send a swimming robot into the lake in the Antarctic summer of 2012-13 to collect water samples and sediment from the bottom.

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A win, a delay for gay couples

- U.S. court says same-sex ban unconstitutional
- But California gays must wait for more challenges

A U.S. federal appeals court Tuesday declared California's same-sex marriage ban to be unconstitutional.

The move puts the bitterly contested, voter-approved law on track to reach the U.S. Supreme Court.

A three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled 2-1 that a lower court judge correctly interpreted the U.S. Constitution and Supreme Court precedents when he declared in 2010 that Proposition 8 — a response to an earlier state court decision that legalized gay marriage — was a violation of the civil rights of gays and lesbians.

But the appeals court said gay marriages cannot resume in the state.

They must wait until the deadline passes for Proposition 8 sponsors to appeal to a larger panel of the 9th Circuit.

"Proposition 8 serves no purpose, and has no effect, other than to lessen the status and human dignity of gays and lesbians in California, and to officially reclassify their relationships and families as inferior," states the opinion written by Judge Stephen Reinhardt, one of the court's most liberal judges.

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They support it ...



► Supporters of gay marriage react after the court decision in San Francisco.

... they're against it



► People rally in New Hampshire in support of replacing the same-sex marriage law.

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Sex probe ousts staff at school

The entire staff at a Los Angeles elementary school is being removed while authorities investigate allegations of sexual abuse by two of the school's teachers.

One of the teachers is accused of blindfolding children, taping their mouths and photograph-

ing them in a classroom.

Los Angeles Unified School District Superintendent John Deasy said more than 120 staff members at Miramonte Elementary School — everyone from the principal and teachers to the cafeteria workers — were being replaced.

A full investigation of the allegations will be disruptive and staffers will require support to get through the scandal, Deasy told parents who packed a high school gymnasium.

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Pop a coin for 'morning after' pill

Students at a U.S. university can obtain the "morning-after" emergency contraceptive pill from a vending machine.

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Trip to tighten bond with China

► While in Beijing, PM to discuss developing a long-term strategy

Centuries ago, emperors flocked to the Temple of Heaven in Beijing to pray for a good harvest.

And that's where Prime Minister Stephen Harper will make one of his first stops on a trip through China, continuing a course he set two years ago to harvest more of the country's wealth.

The trip comes amid a renewed focus on Canada's ability to satiate China's growing thirst for oil — a thirst that's reflected itself in billions of dollars worth of Chinese investment in Canada's oilfields since 2009.

One route is the Northern Gateway pipeline,

which could deliver oil from Alberta to ports in B.C. and then onwards to China. But hearings into the pipeline have just begun.

So, though oil and gas executives form part of the 40-strong business contingent along for Harper's trip, it is other sectors ready now for greater Chinese involvement that will be daily focus of Harper's tour.

This is Harper's second visit to China since 2009. The two countries have grown closer thanks to a series of high-level meetings.

Harper is hoping to push forward the relationship with a series of events highlighting people as much as product, as well as signing



► Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his wife, Laureen, arrive in Beijing on Tuesday. Harper is on a visit to China.

new deals.

Among the deals in the works is the foreign-investment protection agreement, which has been under negotiation with China for almost 20 years.

Business groups would like to see an agreement finally reached, as it would

give both sides more confidence to expand trade.

The delegation on the trip includes five cabinet ministers, six Tory MPs and 40 business and community leaders, including high-level executives from the energy and agriculture sectors.

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Walmart expansion to boost jobs in Canada

Walmart Canada plans to spend more than \$750 million this year to open, relocate or remodel 73 retail stores, including former Zellers locations.

The world's biggest retailer said Tuesday the initiative will create more than 14,000 jobs — about 3,500 new store positions and 10,500 in the trades and construction sector.

The hiring spree would be a big help to Canada's job picture as the January unemployment rate rose to 7.6 per cent.



Walmart already employs about 85,000 Canadians and is the country's largest department-store retailer by sales. Included on the list of Walmart Canada stores are 39 Zellers locations the Canadian subsidiary bought last year.

Walmart said more than half of the 73 projects will become supercentres, which offer an array of groceries as well as general

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merchandise. "Our research tells us that our customers enjoy the one-stop-shopping offer," said Walmart Canada spokeswoman Rosalyn Carneiro.

The expansion comes as

competition in the Canadian retail market heats up with the entry of fellow discount retailer Target next year. Walmart Canada plans to open 125 to 135 stores.

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News in brief





Canada's a seller's market, Senators hear

COMPETITION. There are many reasons why retailers charge consumers more in Canada than they do in the United States, but one is simply that they can, witnesses told a Senate committee Tuesday. Representatives of Canada's manufacturers and consumer-advocacy groups focused on the same point — the lack of competition in Canada's retail sector — as a possible key component for the continuing price gap. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Tweak system for jobs: Report

IMMIGRATION. The federal government could put the equivalent of 370,000 more people to work if it tweaked the immigration system to focus on the long-term needs of the job market, says a new report by Toronto-Dominion Bank. Immigrants who arrived in Canada in the 1970s used to be able to catch up to the salaries of their Canadian counterparts within a generation. But the disparity has grown steadily and now the average immigrant doesn't have much hope of seeing the gap close until the second generation. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Market moment

TSX	Dollar	Oil	Natural gas
			
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			Gold \$1,748.40 US (+ \$23.50 US)

Halliburton to ditch BlackBerry for iPhone

In another blow to troubled Canadian smartphone maker Research In Motion, energy drilling giant Halliburton Co. says it will replace its company-issued BlackBerrys with competitor Apple's iPhone.

Halliburton said Tuesday it is making the move after

deciding that Apple's technology works better with the programs it uses in the field. A spokeswoman for the firm says the plan will phase out 4,500 BlackBerrys from its operations.

"We are making this transition in order to better support our mobile applications initiatives," said Tara Mullee Agard.

RIM has been struggling to keep a solid presence in the market against Apple's products and Android phones. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Women fall prey to 'ambition gap': Facebook COO

If Facebook chief operating officer Sheryl Sandberg isn't one of the richest women in the world, she'll be one of them soon.

According to published reports, she made \$30.9 million US last year, while her estimated 1.7 per cent stake in Facebook could boost her net worth to roughly \$1.7 billion once the social-networking giant's initial public offering is complete.

Either way, the 42-year-old is one of the world's most successful executives, and when she talks about gender and the workplace, people listen.

Last week she told a panel discussion at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, inequalities and double standards — including a sizeable "ambition gap" — impede women from childhood all the way to corporate board-



► Sheryl Sandberg, Facebook's chief operating officer, speaks at the 42nd Annual Meeting of the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, on Jan. 27.

rooms. "We reward men for being leaders, for being as-

sertive, for taking risks, for being competitive," she told

a panel on the future of women in business. "(But) we teach women as young as 4 to lay back, be communal. We need our girls to be ambitious to achieve in the workforce."

Sandberg herself points out that, while men in corporate settings are generally viewed as more likeable as they achieve more, women who achieve are usually seen as less friendly and likeable as their accom-

plishments mount.

Prof. Jennifer Berdahl of the Rotman School of Business says that environment complicates the setting and achieving of goals. "Women who are competent and assertive in the workplace ... experience backlash for being that way. It's hard for women to do what it takes to become a leader if that's the social reaction," she says.

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WHEN BUZZ PHRASE TURNS TO BUZZ KILL

JUST SAYIN' ...

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This column is totally going viral! How can I say that? Well, I can't, really.

But the point is that the phrase "going viral" is becoming so overused by media, bloggers, marketers,

PR types and consumers alike to describe something that is "taking off" (when it isn't always), that has definitely more than hit its tipping point — and could soon jump the shark.

"Going viral" has become one of the sexiest phrases out there, and essentially means becoming extremely popular in a very short amount of time.

Now everyone wants to be part of something that's going viral, whether they're creating it or sharing it. The Internet and social media, of course, have fuelled virality in ways pre-Internet couldn't do, and the term "going viral" has seeped into popular culture.

It's referred to everywhere — in movies, TV, music and even books.

"'Going viral' has become so ubiquitous, so overused, that, often as not, it refers to things that aren't going viral."

Whether it's a YouTube video, a tweet, a Facebook photo, a meme, interactive flash game, app, software or a forwarded email, attaching the message "going viral" is an exciting way to get people to click on something and pass it on to others.

Certainly much of the shared stuff is awesome, but "going viral" has become so ubiquitous, so overused, that, often as

not, it refers to things that aren't going viral.

The term is used as kind of a desperate gimmick by marketers to generate exposure for products and by everyday people looking for fame for stuff that really isn't catching on in the least.

So ... I propose the time has come for all of us to start being far more discriminating about our use of "going viral." To have some criteria and rules for what "going viral" is (e.g., 100,000 YouTube views in a matter of days is "going viral"; 9,000 views is not).

If we don't, we're totally going to ruin the meaning of this phrase through its overuse. People will stop clicking on it — or be far more suspicious — of anything that says "going viral." It will come more to mean "going anti-viral." Or buzz kill.

Failing that, perhaps we just move past it altogether and begin to use new words and phrases to describe the phenomenon of something getting popular really fast. Phrases like "holy contagious!" or "completely insane!" or "crazy buzz!"

Those could just as easily start to generate new excitement for something taking off.

So, yes, as I was saying, this column is totally going viral, er, holy contagious!

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He has pins and needles

Pain and prayer at Hindi fest

It looks like this unfortunate man has got tangled in some gigantic bicycle wheel.

But in reality this contraption is a centerpiece to Tuesday's Hindi festival of Thaipusam. Here, a devotee carries a "Kavadi" along a four-kilometre route from the Sri Srinivasa Perumal, one of Singapore's oldest temples. ● MWN

Thaipusam facts

- ▶ **For the faint-hearted, too.** Those not keen on self-impalement offer pots of milk to the gods.
- ▶ **Body be pure.** 48 days before the event, devotees abstain from meat, alcohol and sex.
- ▶ **Skin-pulling day.** Devotees pull carts by ropes hooked on their backs.

Physical bond to divine forces

Thaipusam, a Hindu festival celebrated in the Tamil month of Thai (in January or February, depending on the full moon), celebrates the deity Murugan. Devotees pierce body parts such as cheeks and tongues before carrying the "Kavadi."

These rituals stress the zealot's physical devotion to divine forces.

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Local tweets



▶ @Cod_GawdZ6969:
@JoelJoeKeys
Hey man, feel-

ing a bit better, just got on, first thing I did was listen to your new song. #Lovelt #Music #Electronica #DJ

▶ @cyberadam26: Madonna has finally decided to visit Ottawa after all these years. Depending on how outrageous tickets are, I'll probably have to see her!

▶ @Jvan104: Sidewalks of Ottawa are a death trap. Fear my life every time I walk down the street.

#IluvOttawawinters
▶ @kursy48: Typical Ottawa

though. "Too many Leafs/Habs fans @ the games. I'll just stay home." Then they get mad when Alfie is booed in his own rink

▶ @HockeyOps: Brrr brewer park might be the coldest rink in Ottawa. #notoutdoors

▶ @hildymac: Blues need to win tonight. Why they can't win in Ottawa is beyond me, but they can't win on the road now either, so whatever.

▶ @tomfowlerbug: dear city of Ottawa, you've done a lovely job repaving the 1300 block of carling. now can you draw some lines on please? it's like mad max.

- Tickets for the Juno Awards go on sale Friday
- Nickelback, Drake, Feist, Hedley among Juno nomination leaders

Who will rule this year's Junos?



► Deadmau5, a.k.a. Joel Zimmerman, appears on stage during the Juno Award nominations announcement Tuesday in Toronto.

City and Colour, Dan Mangan, Drake, Feist, Hedley and Nickelback led the Juno Award nominations Tuesday with four nods apiece, setting up a wide-open race at this year's gala in Ottawa.

No one artist managed to rise above the pack as nominations were announced at a glitzy, crammed gathering in Toronto. After the first group of nominees, Avril Lavigne, Michael Bublé and Deadmau5 followed with three nods each.

Teen sensation Justin Bieber also earned a pair of nominations — including one for album of the year — while other multiple nominees included Blue Rodeo co-frontman Jim Cuddy, Hamilton rockers Jim Cuddy, Hamilton rockers Arkells and Montreal-based indie-rockers

Braids.

With so many multiple nominees, many artists will be duking it out with one another over and over again in several categories.

"I could kick Bieber's ass but not Drake — he's a bit hardcore," laughed Niagara Falls, Ont., electronic producer Deadmau5 (nee Joel Zimmerman), who's up for the Juno fan choice award and artist of the year — a nomination he called a "shocker."

He's probably less surprised about being up for best dance recording, a category he's won four years in a row.

"It's not really weird when you're only one of like five Canadians making dance music these days," he said of the unique scenario. "(But)

I'm sure a lot more are, and that just kind of paves the way for a lot more to be recognized."

Cuddy, meanwhile, has two nominations for his third solo record, Sky-scraper Soul, on the same night that Blue Rodeo will be inducted into the Canadian Music Hall of Fame.

"It's huge," Cuddy said. "Obviously we love the status we have as a band choice award and artist of a long time, but you do want your newest work to be acknowledged. So I'm very, very pleased."

Of the marquee names nominated, Mangan might have come as a surprise to some fans. Among his four nods, the 28-year-old Vancouver native is up for new artist of the year and songwriter of the year, a category in which

Shatner's show

Star Trek icon William Shatner has been named host of the April 1 gala, to be broadcast on CTV.

► Picking Shatner to oversee the awards is a generational shift from last year, when the show was hosted by Toronto rapper Drake, who received strong reviews for showcasing his comedic side during his turn as MC.



► William Shatner

he'll compete with Cuddy, Ron Sexsmith, Feist and Dallas Green.

Album of the year will pit Christmas albums by Bieber and Bublé up against the latest from Drake, Avril Lavigne and Nickelback, while the field for artist of the year includes City and Colour,

Deadmau5, Feist, Bublé and, yes, Drake again.

More performers were also added to the lineup on Tuesday — including group of the year nominees Nickelback and Hedley — joining Feist, City and Colour, Deadmau5 and Blue Rodeo.

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Madge is back



Madonna's not finished with stadiums. Live Nation Entertainment announced Tuesday that the Material Girls first tour since 2009 will include a Sept. 6 show at Yankee Stadium. Her world tour will start May 29 in Tel Aviv, Israel. The North American portion of the tour will include Montreal, San Jose and Cleveland.

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A wandering path

Washington has made some bold career choices

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Denzel Washington is a famous guy. Since his 1974 film debut — he played the uncredited part of Alleyway mugger in *Death Wish* — he's won two Academy Awards and a Tony, directed two films and been voted one of the most handsome people in the world.

This weekend, he teams with Ryan Reynolds in what will certainly be the handsomest film of the month, *Safe House*. The story of a young CIA agent guarding a fugitive turns ugly when their safe house is attacked, is bound to break the box office, but not all of Denzel's movies have been huge hits.

Though he's had great success with films like *Training Day*, let's have a look at some of his overlooked films.

The 1991 crime-thriller *Ricochet* starred Washington as a Los Angeles cop-turned-attorney going head-to-head with a bitter escaped criminal (John Lithgow) he put behind bars. Solid action and a great villain from Lithgow's psycho period — before he did *3rd Rock from the Sun* and went soft — it never found the audience it deserved.

Years later in *Training Day*, Washington's character flashes a picture of himself as a young LAPD officer. The photo is a still from *Ricochet*.

Washington has played his share of attorneys and policemen over the years, but he has never been afraid to try new things, as he did in 1993's *Much Ado About Nothing*. In this all-star adaptation of Shakespeare's most famous romantic comedy, he plays the powerful Don Pedro of Aragon. The movie took hits for its mis-casting of Keanu Reeves and Michael Keaton in key roles, but Washington was



► Denzel Washington has never been afraid to take chances with the roles he chooses.

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praised for his work. He has performed *Richard III* and *Julius Caesar* on stage, but this movie remains his only filmed Shakespearean role.

From the light comedy of the 17th century we next look at the post-apoc-

alyptic *The Book of Eli*, set just a few years from today. It's a strange movie. Denzel plays a coiled spring of righteous power in this timely movie about how religion can be used for both good and evil.

Finally, a movie that should have spawned an ongoing franchise but dried up after just one film was *Devil in a Blue Dress*. *Rolling Stone* called Washington's take on private investigator Ezekiel 'Easy' Rawlins a "richly detailed portrayal," adding that you leave the movie hoping the other books in the Rawlins series will be turned into films. Sadly, that didn't happen.



► Josh Hutcherson, left, Luis Guzman, Vanessa Hudgens and Dwayne Johnson are shown in a scene from Journey 2: The Mysterious Island.

The hunger for something more

► Josh Hutcherson will face a daunting few months
► But with two major films, he longs for indie work



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While he spent most of his teenage years churning out major motion pictures, 19-year-old Josh Hutcherson is keenly aware that as far as fame goes, he hasn't seen anything yet. This year, he co-headlines Journey 2: the Mysterious Island with Dwayne Johnson — who's stepping in for Journey to the Center of the Earth co-star Brendan Fraser. And then Hutcherson has a little something called the Hunger Games hitting theaters next month. Hutcherson describes the coming months as "a little daunting."

Your character seems to have bad luck with father figures.

Yeah, a bit. He's having a hard time dealing with that, and I think that because his father wasn't around originally he has a tough time kind of coping with the new guy that's sort of come into his life.

How was having Dwayne

"The fans are extremely loyal, and any time you see them lashing out ... it's coming from a place of passion."

JOSH HUTCHERSON

Johnson stepping in to replace Brendan Fraser?

I think with Dwayne, you see him be the big action guy and then also the charming Tooth Fairy kind of role, and then this one I think kind of combines those two worlds. **Is a third film in the franchise in your mind at all? Has there been talk or contracts for that yet?**

For sure. They've had a lot of talks about it. They're kind of waiting obviously to see how this movie performs and whatnot.

Has there been a focus or effort by yourself or your team to find more franchise-type films?

No, not so much. I think if anything it's been a bit of the opposite — now that I

have the Hunger Games and Journey franchises, to move on to something that more of an indie kind of film.

With the Hunger Games coming up, this is a big year ahead for you as well. How are things changing for you?

At the moment, it hasn't changed that much. But as far as how I'm looking ahead, I'm a little bit nervous, just based on what the expectations are for the movie. It's going to be a little life-changing, possibly, but I'm on board. I'm excited about it.

The casting process for "the Hunger Games" was one of the most contested, heated online discussions I've ever seen. How was it to be on the actors' side of that?

The fans are extremely loyal, and any time you see them lashing out or whatever you want to call it, it's coming from a place of passion. I personally didn't look at anything like that. I never really went online. I'd only heard through hearsay what other people were talking about, really.

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Russell wants his brand on Deschanel

► Katy Perry look-alike and New Girl star caught the eye of Russell Brand

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In the wake of his split from Katy Perry, Russell Brand has reportedly set his sights on New Girl star Zoey Deschanel — and has been sending her “fun, flirty texts,” according to Hollyscoop.

Sources say that Brand “thinks she’s hysterically funny and cute, too. He loves her quirky sense of humour, and thinks they’d be great together both on- and off screen.”

Coincidentally (or not!), Deschanel filed for divorce from husband Ben Gibbard just days before Brand filed for divorce from Perry.

This is weird, because

“He loves her quirky sense of humour, and thinks they’d be great together...”

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► Russell Brand has been courting a woman who looks a lot like his ex Katy Perry.

the fact the two women look alike is well documented. In 2009, Deschanel actually complained to MTV News about constantly being

confused with Perry.

“It’s a little bit annoying, to be totally blunt. The only similarity that we have is that we look a little bit alike,” she told the site.

“I have met her before. She seems like a nice person. I’m happy that she’s famous enough now that she’s not going out and being mistaken for me.”

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Talking points

Pitt says Jolie still has a wild side to her

LOOK FOR HER NEW MOVIE ROLE AS A BAD GIRL While in recent years Angelina Jolie has seemed to tame the bad-girl ways that made her famous, Brad Pitt insists — rather coyly — that her at-home behaviour is still pretty fun.

“She’s still a bad girl,” Brad says in an interview with CBS This Morning. “Delightfully so. It’s not for public consumption.”

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Beyoncé baby body bouncing back into form

TIME TO MAKE THE ROUNDS Beyoncé showed off her post-baby body in her first public outing since giving birth a month ago, attending husband Jay-Z’s charity concert at Carnegie Hall, according to Us Weekly.

The new mom reportedly made the most of her night out at the concert’s after-party, as well.

“She made a much bigger effort

Celebrity tweets



“I’m so sad that basically every celeb has died this week. Where would I get my news if it weren’t for Twitter Trending Topics?”

@Diane_Keaton



“Thanks for all the birthday wishes, but it was last month!”

@madlyv

“Just luv the Apple store. Full of hipsters and not one who’ll help. Oh sorry I meant “geniuses””



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“Uploaded photo of myself in Speedo to comply with Google’s new privacy policy.”



to say hello to nearly everyone, making rounds around the whole club before joining Jay-Z and guests in the VIP room,” a source says.

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Travel in brief



One of the 20th century's most famous performers who spent his childhood in Appleton will be the subject of an exhibit at the Madison Museum of Contemporary Art.

The show about magician and escape artist Harry Houdini will examine his life, legend and cultural influence. The Madison museum is its only Midwest venue.

The exhibit includes works by contemporary artists who have been influenced by Houdini, historic photographs, Art Nouveau-era posters and silent films.

Handcuffs, shackles, a straitjacket, a milk can and a packing trunk are also showcased in the context of their original presentation. There are also two of his private diaries that have never been shown in public.

Houdini: Art and Magic starts Feb. 11 and runs through May 13.

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Namaste, travellers! San Francisco airport opens yoga room for flying yogis



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For the fashionista:

Score a fabulous find from a local designer

Montreal is fiercely proud of its homegrown designers — and stepping into their boutiques, it's not hard to see why. For the conscientious snow bunny, Harricana (3000 rue Saint-Antoine Ouest, 514-287-6517) is a dream come true: Designer Mariouche Gagne upcycles outdated fur fashions into classically cool new pieces, like a knitted fur vest.

For more secondhand finds, pop into the



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"friperies" in the trendy Plateau District. We like Folles Alliees (365 Av. du Mont-Royal E., 514-843-4904) for its finely curated, mint-condition vintage

pieces and Retromania Boutique (820 Av. du Mont-Royal E., 514-596-2618) for its well-organized, affordable finds that could have come from your hip

sister's closet.

For the culturephile:

Eat your way through the city like a local

You could spend hours in Montreal's markets, sampling the local food and mingling with the people who grow and purchase it. Little Italy's Jean-Talon Market (7070 Henri-Julien St., 514-937-7754) is a year-round emporium of all

things fresh and a true feast for all your senses.

But save some room for the bagels. Montreal-style bagels are smaller, sweeter and denser than the New York variety. They're always baked in a wood-fire oven — right in front of you at St-Viateur Bagel & Cafe (multiple locations, stviaiteurbagel.com) — which makes it worth a stop for breakfast or lunch.

Breathe in. It's Montana

- ▶ It's not the first U.S. destination on your mind
- ▶ It's not even the fifth ▶ But lovers of the outdoors might want to skip Colorado and head here instead



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WHAT TO DO:

Here's what we like to do in Big Sky Country:

Camping: Montana houses two spectacular national parks, Glacier and Yellowstone (of Old Faithful fame). Just stopping through? Try Glacier's Going-to-the-Sun Road, a 80-kilometre drive through some of the park's best scenery.

Fly fishing: Montana is home to the world's best fly fishing, in a network of sparkling rivers and creeks. Hire a guide to loan you some gear and to show you where the locals cast. (For a refresher, skip the movie and read Missoula native Norman Maclean's *A River Runs Through It*)

Ghost hunting: During a mining boom in the late 19th century, a number of small towns and mining camps were created in the western part of the state.



▶ Fly fishing

While long since abandoned, many of these ghost towns have been preserved and are open for tours.



▶ Welcome to Big Sky Country.

WHAT TO EAT:

Montana may not seem like a culinary destination, but that's changing quickly. A bounty of local produce and traditionally-raised organic beef, lamb, and elk, are attracting top culinary talent. And beer lovers can sample suds from over 20 microbreweries. Saddle

up at a local bar and order a Kettle House Cold Smoke Scotch Ale or local favorite Moose Drool. For a treat, stop by Philipsburg's Sweet Palace, the second-largest candy store in the country. Try the Flips: handmade marshmallows dipped in chocolate and covered with toasted coconut.

WHERE TO STAY:

The Ranch at Rock Creek (theranchatrockcreek.com) offers the best of Montana recreation by day and fine dining by night. Situated on 16 square kilometres of pristine wilderness just north of the Pintler Mountains, the Ranch offers many outdoor activities as well as a full-service spa.



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The delicious cocktail features Frangelico Hazelnut Liqueur infused with Irish cream and cherry brandy.

Garnish it with a fresh strawberry!

- 1 1/4 oz Frangelico
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- 3/4 oz cherry brandy

Shake all ingredients up with ice.

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Garnish with a fresh strawberry.

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Gooey cheeses combine to create a warm and cosy feel to this Penne and Four Cheese favourite.

Baking the creamy pasta combination gives an extra bubbly sauce with a golden-brown topping that is irresistible.

Preparation:

- 1 Melt the butter in the saucepan over medium heat and cook the shallots, garlic and thyme for 5 minutes or until they are softened. Stir in the flour and cook, stirring for 1 minute.

Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup (50 mL) butter
- 2 small shallots, finely chopped
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tsp (5 mL) chopped fresh thyme or 1/2 tsp (2 mL) dried
- 1/3 cup (75 mL) all purpose flour
- 3 cups (750 mL) 5% light cream

lot, garlic and thyme for 5 minutes or until they are softened. Stir in the flour and cook, stirring for 1 minute.

- 2 Whisk in the cream and cook, whisking occasionally for about 10 minutes or until it is thickened enough to coat the back of a spoon. Remove the pot from the heat and add the fontina, Gorgonzola, ricotta and Parmigiano into the cream mixture. Whisk it until it is smooth. Stir in basil and keep warm.
- 3 In a large pot of boiling salted water, cook the penne for 8 minutes. Add the spinach and cook for 2 minutes until

- 1 cup (250 mL) shredded fontina cheese
- 2/3 cup (150 mL) crumbled Gorgonzola cheese (about 4 oz/125 g)
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) ricotta cheese
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) freshly grated Parmigiano-Reggiano
- 1 1/2 lbs (750 g) penne rigate pasta (about 6 cups/1.5 L)
- 1 bag (10 oz/300 g) baby

spinach is wilted and pasta is al dente. Drain everything well and return it to pot. Add cheese sauce and stir to combine well. Spoon pasta the mixture into 8 French onion soup bowls and place on large baking sheet.

- 4 Topping: Combine the breadcrumbs, parsley, Parmigiano and butter in bowl. Sprinkle over the pasta. Place in pre-heated 425 F (220 C) oven and bake for about 10 minutes or until bubbly and golden brown. **EMILY RICHARDS IS A PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND A TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE, VISIT EMILYRICHARDSCOOKS.CA**

spinach, chopped

- 1/4 cup (50 mL) chopped fresh basil or Italian parsley

Topping:

- 2 cups (500 mL) fresh bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup (50 mL) chopped fresh Italian parsley
- 1/4 cup (50 mL) freshly grated Parmigiano-Reggiano
- 1/4 cup (50 mL) butter, melted



► The recipe makes eight servings.

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Finding the key to co-op

► Switching majors set this university student on a solid track to success

STUDENT VOICE

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When I first started at Simon Fraser University, I was happy that my school had a co-op program and I had heard that many students had positive co-op experiences.

However, as time gradually passed and I finally enrolled successfully into the co-op program last March, I realized that I could not find any relevant jobs because of my major: geography.

As I searched through the list of co-op jobs, I figured out that many science co-op jobs were related to environmental science. I realized that I was following the wrong path.

I immediately talked to my advisor and switched my major from geography to physical geography, and then to environmental science.

A few months passed



► Yoko Lu has changed her focus from geography to environmental science.

and I finally had two interviews last August. I did not expect to receive a placement, so I was shocked when I got a phone call from the co-op advisor, telling me I had an offer.

I was lucky to get a job in my co-op program because I got accepted into the program very late.

My key suggestion to students is not to give up. I kept applying to the job offers even though the job descriptions were not really in my area of study. I would recommend students keep applying even though you may feel uncomfortable with the job or its description.

If you are invited to interviews, you have to keep in mind that the employers receive lots of applications and can only choose a few students to interview and only one will get an offer.

Do not be disappointed even when you do not get the job. You should evaluate any mistakes you have made and correct them.

To help with this process, I believe that schools should have more

courses on real world experiences, such as writing resumes and cover letters, and preparing for interviews.

Workshops are not enough. I think there should be regular courses where students can be taught more efficiently and perhaps students would be able to apply to jobs after their resumes and cover letters are carefully checked by their peers. Co-op jobs do not have to be run by the school, it could also be a direct contact made with the employer by students.

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Lessons learned

Key take-aways from Yoko's experience:

- Browse job listings to see which skills, experiences and education are in demand.
- Changing your major early on isn't failing — it's OK to change your mind.
- Don't get discouraged! Competition is fierce in many fields and it might take some time to get a job.

Charity workers get \$200K helping hand

Nearly 50 Canadian charities, each with a limited ability to support the development of their staff and volunteers, have received a much-needed boost to the combined tune of \$200,000.

The PricewaterhouseCoopers Canada Foundation Leadership Grants Program has presented the annual grants to registered small- and medium-sized charities, with a focus on funding professional development activities for the selected applicants.

"There are limited

funds available for the professional development of dedicated employees at Canadian charities and funders have traditionally steered away from providing support for core operational activities," says James Temple, Leader of the PricewaterhouseCoopers Canada Foundation.

Temple adds that learning and development play critical roles in the ongoing success of a charity's social mission.

"Funders can address this gap by providing the right balance of resources to empower people to hone their skills and by investing in the long-term sustainability of the charitable community."

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Hidden gems in the health field

► Pursuing a career in health? ► You may have more professional options available to you than you know



As with most areas of study, health care has its hidden and overlooked diamonds of opportunity. Your choices aren't simply doctor or nurse: there are plenty of less-common careers in the industry that allow you to help patients in a variety of ways. Here are three paths you may not have considered

Physical therapists

Physical therapists spend extensive time working with patients, creating a bond and designing programs and rehabilitation exercises. Many of these patients are athletes.

"We see athletes enter



with concussions, unknown pain or decreases

in production or post-op status," says Chris Keating

of Strive Physical Therapy. They create personalized

recovery plans, similar to the way a teacher formats a curriculum.

"The programs we design will progress enhancing a patient's strength, flexibility, balance, coordination, endurance and overall performance," says Keating.

Holistic health care

One largely expanding field is that of holistic healing. CAM — an acronym for Complementary and Alternative Medicine — involves sophisticated practices that include acupuncture and acupressure along with massage therapy.

More schools are offering courses in this study, and more Americans are seeking medical attention in alternative forms: A

National Health Interview Survey found that 38 per cent of adults questioned use a form of alternative or holistic medicine.

Occupational therapists

Occupational therapists assist the elderly and those who have suffered an illness or injury in re-learning everyday skills. It's a flexible job that offers a variety of positions within the system.

"Occupational therapy allows for many jobs in the same career," explains occupational therapist Jeremy R. Furniss, VP of Operations at Ergo Solutions.

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Pricey on other side of the pond

► Many international students shelling out bigger bucks than Canadian colleagues to attend school in country

Seven years after moving from her Caribbean island of St. Maarten to study at Toronto's York University, Vanessa Hunt says she would be happy to call Canada home after graduation.

But after spending her early adult years living, working and studying in the city, the 25-year-old says she still feels unfairly pitted against her Canadian peers because of higher tuition fees.

"It's been a rough ride," says Hunt, who's been shelling out between \$14,000 and \$18,000 a year to study dance and education at Canada's third largest university.

"I have no savings at all. Not a dime for myself."

The Canadian Federation of Students says on average, international students at-



► Three years after moving to Halifax from Saudi Arabia, Dalhousie student Tamim Arabi says he will have paid \$25,900 to study at Nova Scotia's largest university.

tending university in Canada spend about \$16,000 on annual tuition. The organization says that's about three times the amount domestic students pay.

Roxanne Dubois, the federation's national chairwoman, says there's a persistent myth that all international students come

from wealthy families and can easily cover the cost of their tuition.

She says international students are bearing the brunt of a woefully underfunded system.

"Colleges and universities are very much in budget crunches where they're suffering from cuts to post-

"Ultimately what we're seeing is a higher reliance on universities and college to try and attract international students because basically they're serving as cash

COWS." ROXANNE DUBOIS, THE CANADIAN FEDERATION OF STUDENTS' NATIONAL CHAIRWOMAN

secondary education that happened in the 1990s," says Dubois, 27.

"Ultimately what we're seeing is a higher reliance on universities and colleges to try and attract international students because basically they're serving as cash cows."

Universities say the main reason international stu-

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Efforts are being made across Canada to recruit students from abroad

► Last month, the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency announced \$185,000 in funding for a non-profit organization that works to attract international students to Nova Scotia.

Halifax, says international students — like all students — have a financial value that allows post-secondary institutions to operate.

But she disagrees with Dubois's assessment that international students are viewed merely as money-makers.

"When I meet with prospective students and their families, it is with the intention of ... creating a great academic opportunity for those students," says Kachan. "That's at the heart of what we do."

Kachan says the cultural richness international students bring to the classroom has been invaluable for Dalhousie, which had 17,226 students as of last December. Of those, 2,091 were international students.

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► Whether it seems fair or not, employees of today may be required to accept lesser jobs and lesser pay

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Sometimes it's smarter to accept a demotion as an alternative to dismissal. Especially

where there is a good reason for the demotion.

Brooke Haddock's career as a seafood department manager for a Thrifty Foods chain of grocery stores in B.C. was sailing along smoothly until he separated from his wife. Haddock then turned to alcohol as financial problems and stress

from the failed marriage mounted. It clearly affected his performance.

When Haddock continued to show up late for work, he was suspended for four days. When his performance still did not improve, he was warned that his job was in jeopardy and that, if his poor behaviour continued, he would either be fired or demoted.

However, Haddock's problems with lateness continued and, after his drunkenness made other employee's uncomfortable at a softball tournament, Thrifty had enough. Haddock was permanently demoted from manager to a clerical position, correspondingly with about 15 per cent less pay. Haddock did not report to work.

The legal doctrine of constructive dismissal pro-

vides that an employer cannot unilaterally change any important condition of an employee's job, such as job title or pay, without his or her agreement. Since Haddock was demoted and his pay reduced, he opted to sue.

In deciding whether to side with Haddock, the court determined that his 15 per cent pay cut was not, by itself, a material change to his job but when combined with his demotion, he had indeed been constructively dismissed.

However, it was only a pyrrhic victory. Haddock's damages were almost entirely offset because he failed to accept the clerk's position that Thrifty offered him.

The court's decision may be surprising but it

makes sense. Even though Haddock was constructively dismissed, he did not have a reasonable reason to refuse the lesser job. The irony here is that

if he would have first tried the clerk's job and found it humiliating, there likely would be no offset.

The lesson for employees faced with a demotion

is clear. They may have to accept the new job unless there is a very good reason to refuse.

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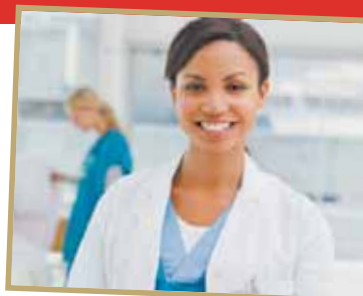
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TEAM'S EXPECTATIONS FOR
MIGUEL CABRERA, ABOVE,
AT THIRD BASE, WHERE HE
IS SET TO MOVE NEXT
SEASON TO MAKE ROOM FOR
PRINCE FIELDER AT FIRST.**

Elliott shines in return to Ottawa

▶ **Former Sens goalie turns away 28 shots to give Blues the win**



David Perron scored twice and Brian Elliott made 28 saves in his regular-season return to Ottawa as the St. Louis Blues defeated the Senators 3-1 Tuesday night.

Elliott was traded to the Colorado Avalanche prior to last season's trade deadline for Senators' current No. 1 netminder Craig Anderson.

Elliott then moved on to the Blues in the off-season.

Anderson, meanwhile, didn't last four minutes Tuesday as he and the Senators lost their seventh straight game.

Chris Porter also scored for the Blues (31-14-7), who won for just the second time in their past five games.

Alfredsson had the only goal for Ottawa (27-22-7) and Anderson was replaced by Alex Auld after



► Blues goaltender Brian Elliott keeps an eye on the puck as Ottawa's Colin Greening battles with Roman Polak Tuesday night.

allowing two goals on just four shots. Auld turned aside 13-of-14 shots.

The Blues entered the third period with a 3-1 lead after Perron scored his second of the game at 6:35 of the second when he chopped a backhand over the shoulder of Auld.

The goal restored a two-goal lead for the Blues after Alfredsson scored on the power play just 56 sec-

onds into the period. Sergei Gonchar took a shot that hit Alfredsson's skate at the side of the St. Louis goal, bounced off Elliott and went in.

The first period was much like the second as the Senators failed to gain any big rewards for their efforts.

Despite outshooting and outchancing the Blues in the opening peri-

od, Ottawa trailed 2-0 heading into the first break.

Porter opened the scoring with a redirect just 1:37 into the game.

Perron scored his first at 3:49 after picking up a rebound that Anderson couldn't control and scoring before the Senators' netminder could get back into position.

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Williams ends NFL career, again

Ricky Williams is retiring from the NFL.

Again.
This time, however, it appears to be for good.

The 34-year-old Williams told the Baltimore Ravens on Tuesday he won't be back to fulfil the second year of a contract he signed in August. Playing as a backup to Ray Rice this year, Williams ran for 444 yards and scored two touchdowns.

He also became the 26th player in NFL history to reach 10,000 yards rushing, reaching the plateau in the season finale at Cincinnati.

"The NFL has been an amazing page in this chapter of my life," Williams said. "I pray that all successive adventures offer me the same potential for growth, success and most importantly, fun. ... As for what's next, I am excited about all the opportunities ahead — continuing my education, running The Ricky Williams Foundation and whatever other opportunities present themselves."

Williams retired previously before the 2004 season when facing a four-game suspension for violating the league's drug policy. He returned in 2005, then left to spend the 2006 season with the CFL's Toronto Argonauts.

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	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-NY Rangers	50	33	12	1	4	141	102	71	16-2-0-2	17-7-1-2	6-3-0-1	W2
d-Boston	51	33	16	1	1	180	111	68	17-9-1-1	16-7-0-0	5-4-1-0	W1
d-Florida	51	24	16	5	6	131	145	59	13-5-1-6	11-11-4-0	4-3-1-2	L2
Philadelphia	52	30	16	2	4	173	156	66	12-8-1-3	18-8-1-1	4-4-0-2	L1
Pittsburgh	53	30	19	2	2	161	138	64	15-7-2-0	15-12-0-2	8-2-0-0	L1
New Jersey	52	30	19	2	2	149	148	63	15-9-0-2	15-10-1-0	7-2-0-1	W4
Toronto	53	28	19	3	3	167	155	62	16-8-2-2	12-11-1-1	6-3-0-1	W3
Ottawa	55	27	21	5	2	161	171	61	14-10-1-1	13-11-4-1	3-6-1-0	L6
Washington	52	27	21	2	2	145	149	58	18-7-0-1	9-14-2-1	4-4-2-0	L1
Winnipeg	54	24	24	3	3	129	150	54	15-8-0-2	9-16-3-1	4-5-0-1	L2
Tampa Bay	51	23	23	2	3	147	173	51	17-2-1-1	8-16-1-2	6-3-1-0	W1
NY Islanders	51	21	22	5	3	125	150	50	11-11-5-0	10-11-1-2	6-2-1-1	L1
Buffalo	52	22	24	3	3	126	154	50	11-9-3-3	11-15-0-0	4-5-0-1	W1
Montreal	53	20	24	2	7	137	145	49	10-11-2-5	10-13-0-2	4-4-0-2	W2
Carolina	54	20	25	5	4	137	165	49	14-12-0-3	6-13-5-1	6-2-1-1	W1

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Detroit	54	35	17	1	1	172	129	72	20-2-1-0	15-15-0-1	7-2-0-1	L2
d-Vancouver	52	32	15	0	5	167	130	69	15-6-0-4	17-9-0-1	6-2-0-2	W1
d-San Jose	50	29	15	3	3	145	117	64	17-8-2-0	12-7-1-3	5-4-0-1	L1
Nashville	53	32	17	3	1	149	136	68	17-7-2-1	15-10-1-0	8-2-0-0	W1
St. Louis	51	30	14	1	6	126	105	67	22-3-1-3	8-11-0-3	6-2-1-1	L1
Chicago	53	29	17	4	3	169	158	65	19-6-1-3	10-11-3-0	4-4-2-0	L5
Los Angeles	53	25	18	4	6	115	116	60	15-11-0-4	10-7-4-2	4-3-1-2	L2
Minnesota	52	25	19	2	6	121	133	58	13-7-1-2	12-12-1-4	4-4-0-2	L1
Dallas	51	27	22	0	2	136	144	56	15-9-0-2	12-13-0-0	4-5-0-1	W1
Phoenix	54	24	21	3	5	139	142	56	12-10-2-2	12-11-1-3	4-4-0-2	W2
Calgary	53	24	22	3	4	126	144	55	14-8-1-1	10-14-2-3	5-3-0-2	L1
Colorado	54	26	25	2	1	135	151	55	14-13-0-1	12-12-2-0	3-5-1-1	L5
Anaheim	52	20	24	4	4	135	156	48	14-13-2-0	6-11-2-4	7-2-1-0	W1
Edmonton	53	21	27	1	4	141	158	47	15-8-1-2	6-19-6-2	5-4-0-1	L1
Columbus	52	14	32	1	5	120	174	34	8-13-1-2	6-19-0-3	3-6-0-1	W1

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results

New Jersey at N.Y. Rangers

N.Y. Islanders at Philadelphia

Florida at Washington

Minnesota at Columbus

Pittsburgh at Montreal

St. Louis at Ottawa

Los Angeles at Tampa Bay

Vancouver at Nashville

Toronto at Winnipeg

Phoenix at Dallas

Chicago at Colorado

Monday's results

Toronto 6 Edmonton 3

Anaheim 3 Calgary 2 (SO)

Phoenix 3 Detroit 1

Tonight's games

All Times Eastern

Boston at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.

Edmonton at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.

Carolina at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

Calgary at San Jose, 10 p.m.

Tomorrow's games

St. Louis at New Jersey, 7 p.m.

Montreal at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.

Tampa Bay at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.

Toronto at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.

Winnipeg at Washington, 7 p.m.

Dallas at Columbus, 7 p.m.

Nashville at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.

Los Angeles at Florida, 7:30 p.m.

Vancouver at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Calgary at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

Friday's games

Dallas at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.

Anaheim at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.

Carolina at Colorado, 9 p.m.

Chicago at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

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AFRICAN CUP OF NATIONS

SEMIFINALS

Today's games

All Times Eastern

At Bata, Equatorial Guinea

Zambia vs. Ghana, 11 a.m.

At Libreville, Gabon

Mali vs. Ivory Coast, 2 p.m.

THIRD PLACE

Saturday's game

At Malabo, Equatorial Guinea

Semifinal Losers, 2 p.m.

CHAMPIONSHIP

Sunday's game

At Libreville, Gabon

Semifinal Winners, 2 p.m.

ENGLAND

FA CUP

FOURTH ROUND — REPLAY

Yesterday's results

Sheffield Wednesday 0 Blackpool 3

Southampton 2 Millwall 3

SCOTLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Celtic	24	19	2	3	48	16	59
Rangers	25	18	4	3	47	14	58
Motherwell	23	11	5	7	28	28	38
Harts	24	10	5	9	30	18	35
St. Johnstone	25	7	8	10	27	30	29
Aberdeen	24	6	10	8	28	35	28
Kilmarnock	24	6	9	9	33	38	27
Dundee United	25	6	9	10	25	36	27
St. Mirren	24	7	5	12	30	40	26
Inverness	24	4	6	14	26	51	18
Dunfermline	24	4	6	14	24	45	18
Hibernian	24	4	6	14	24	45	18

Yesterday's result

Dunfermline 1 Kilmarnock 1

SPAIN

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SEMIFINALS — SECOND LEG

Athletic Bilbao 6 Mirandes 2

(Athletic Bilbao advances on 8-3 aggregate)

GERMANY

GERMAN CUP

QUARTER-FINALS

Yesterday's result

Holstein Kiel 0 Borussia Dortmund 4

Today's games

Hoffenheim vs. Greuther Fuerth

Hertha Berlin vs. Borussia Moenchengladbach

Stuttgart vs. Bayern Munich

FRANCE

COUPE DE FRANCE

ROUND OF 16

Yesterday's results

Rennes 3 Evian 2

Quevilly vs. Orleans (ppd., frozen pitch)

Dijon vs. Paris Saint-Germain (ppd., frozen pitch)

Today's games

Bourg-Peronnas vs. Marseille (ppd., frozen pitch)

Valenciennes vs. Lille

Chateauroux vs. Montpellier

Gazélec Ajaccio vs. Drancy

Lyon vs. Bordeaux

TENNIS

WTA OPEN GAZ DE FRANCE SUEZ

At Paris

Singles — First Round

Tsvetana Pironkova, Bulgaria, def. Li Na (3),

China, 7-6 (5), 3-2, retired.

Julia Georges (6), Germany, def. Shahar Peer,

Israel, 6-1, 6-3.

Angelique Kerber (9), Germany, def. Lucie Sa-

farova, Czech Republic, 6-2, 7-6 (3).

Mona Barthel, Germany, def. Barбора

Zahlavova Strycova, Czech Republic, 6-3, 6-2.

Petra Cetkovska, Czech Republic, def. Alberta

Brianti, Italy, 6-3, 6-3.

Chanelle Scheepers, South Africa, def. Polona

Hercog, Slovenia, 6-2, 6-2.

Petra Martic, Croatia, def. Greta Arn, Hun-

gary, 6-4, 6-4.

Doubles — First Round

Jill Craybas, U.S., and Barбора Zahlavova

Strycova, Czech Republic, def. Natalie Grandin,

South Africa, and Vladimira Uhlova (2),

Czech Republic, 7-6 (6), 2-6, 10-6 (tiebreak).

Monica Niculescu, Romania, and Alicia Rosol-

ska (4), Poland, def. Eva Hrdinova and Kristyna

Piskova, Czech Republic, 6-4, 5-7, 10-6

(tiebreak).

Julie Coin and Pauline Parmentier, France,

def. Liga Dekmeijere, Latvia, and Sandra Kle-

menschits, Austria, 1-6, 7-5, 10-6 (tiebreak).

Alberta Brianti, Italy, and Alize Cornet,

France, def. Nina Bratchikova, Russia, and Dar-

ija Jurak, Croatia, 7-5, 6-2.

WTA PTT PATTAYA WOMEN'S OPEN

At Pattaya, Thailand

Singles — First Round

Vera Zvonareva (1), Russia, def. Varatchaya

Wongteanchai, Thailand, 6-2, 7-5.

Anne Keothavong, Britain, def. Dominika

Cibulkova (2), Slovakia, 6-4, 6-1.

Daniela Hantuchova (3), Slovakia, def. Nug-

nodda Wannasul, Thailand, 6-2, 6-0.

Maria Kirilenko (4), Russia, def. Casey Dellac-

ca, Australia, 4-6, 7-6 (6), 6-3.

Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan, def. Zheng Jie (5), Chi-

na, 6-3, 6-2.

Tamarine Tanasugarn, Thailand, def. Galina

Voskoboeva (6), Kazakhstan, 6-3, 4-2 (retired).

Vania King (8), U.S., def. Heather Watson,

Britain, 6-4, 6-2.

Chang Kai-chen, Taiwan, def. Eleni Daniilidou,

Greece, 7-5, 6-1.

Misaki Doi, Japan, def. Noppawon Lertchee-

wakarn, Thailand, 6-1, 6-3.

Alla Kudryavtseva, Russia, def. Zhou Yi-Miao,

China, 6-1, 7-5.

Kimiko Date-Krumm, Japan, def. Ncha Lert-

pitaksinchai, Thailand, 6-1, 6-1.

Algul Amanmuradova, Uzbekistan, def. Laura

Robson, Britain, 5-2 (retired).

Sania Mirza, India, def. Ayumi Morita, Japan,

3-6, 6-1, 6-2.

Urszula Radwanska, Poland, def. Anastasia

Pivovaroa, Russia, 6-4, 6-1.

NCAA BASKETBALL

AP MEN'S TOP 25

Last night's results

No. 1 Kentucky vs. No. 8 Florida

No. 3 Ohio State vs. Purdue

No. 17 Creighton at Evansville

Tonight's games

All Times Eastern

No. 2 Syracuse vs. No. 12 Georgetown, 7 p.m.

No. 5 North Carolina vs. No. 10 Duke, 9 p.m.

No. 6 Baylor vs. No. 7 Kansas, 7 p.m.

No. 11 Michigan State vs. Penn State, 6:30 p.m.

No. 15 Florida State at Boston College, 7 p.m.

No. 19 Virginia vs. Wake Forest, 7:30 p.m.

No. 22 Michigan at Nebraska, 8:30 p.m.

NFL

2012 DRAFT ORDER

FIRST ROUND

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	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
1. Indianapolis	2	14	.125	138	118	.539
2. St. Louis	2	14	.125	151	105	.590
3. Minnesota	3	13	.188	143	113	.559
4. Cleveland	4	12	.250	136	120	.531
5. Tampa Bay	4	12	.250	141	115	.551



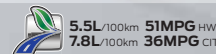
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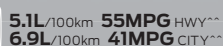
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Out with the V-8

What will likely go unnoticed is the lack of a V-8 option, leaving the GS 350 and the gasoline-electric hybrid GS 450h as the only models. The V-8 GS 460 cost an additional \$11,400 over and above the GS 350 when it last appeared in Canada for the 2010 model year and was never a big seller. Its relatively poor fuel economy also didn't help. Replacing the GS 460 is the V-6 F Sport that has its own front clip, mesh grille, body trim, 19-inch wheels and variable suspension and steering systems that continuously adjust to road conditions and driver inputs.

In with the V-6

It might have a V-6, but the GS 350 is hardly slow. It can scoot to 100 km/h from zero in a Lexus-reported 6.3 seconds, which is a tick more than the second-generation GS 450h that arrives later in the 2012 model year. That model should be the undisputed hot rod in the bunch. What V-8?

The V-6 has been updated with direct fuel injection whereby gas is more accurately metered directly into the combustion chambers.

Transmission

The F Sport uses the same carryover 306-horsepower 3.5-litre V-6 as the standard GS 350. It's connected to a six-speed automatic transmission that "blips" the throttle for smoother downshifts (called rev matching). Compared to the GS 350, the F Sport adds a level to the standard driver-selectable operating mode that firms up the suspension and sharpens the steering.



► The GS retains its long-hood, short-deck side profile and rear-drive layout.

GS still living in the fast lane

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Wooing and winning over significant numbers of upscale-car buyers has been a successful venture for Toyota's premium brand and the latest GS series should literally accelerate this trend despite being down a couple of cylinders.

Why? Well, for one thing the 2013 GS, which is slated for a February debut, is leading Lexus out of the design doldrums where, along with many of its stable mates, the car has been.

Nothing overly radical mind you, since the 2013 GS shares a number of physical and mechanical components with its 2012 counterpart, but at both ends the revisions are obvious. The reshaped nose-piece displays a large air

intake below the grille with additional side intakes that also serve as fog-light housings. The confluence of shapes and angles at the business end might not rank as an artistic tour de force, but it's certainly character building and that will help you spot the GS in a parking lot.

The starting-point GS 350 rings in at stout \$54,000, including destination costs, which is about the same as the outgoing model, while the F Sport will likely sticker in the vicinity of \$61,500.

The hybrid is estimated in the mid-\$70,000 range to start.

That's a lot of cabbage, but this is still life in the fast lane with the GS well within sight of other luxury competitors and their six-cylinder offerings.



► A side view of the GS 350.



► The F Sport interior features some very business-like hard-metal surfaces that look elegant and expensive.

2013 Lexus GS



What you should know about the 2013 Lexus GS:

- **Types:** Four-door, rear/all-wheel-drive luxury sedan.
- **Engines (hp):** 3.5-litre DOHC V6 (306); 3.5-litre DOHC V6/electric motor (338, net).
- **Transmissions:** Six-speed automatic; continuously variable (GS 450h).
- **Market position:** As with its German counterparts, the GS is staking its future on V-6 engine development as it moves away from what was its bread-and-butter V-8. This should not be problematic as V-6 performance continues to increase.
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 11.3/7.8 (RWD, est.).

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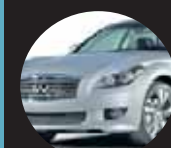
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Infiniti M37

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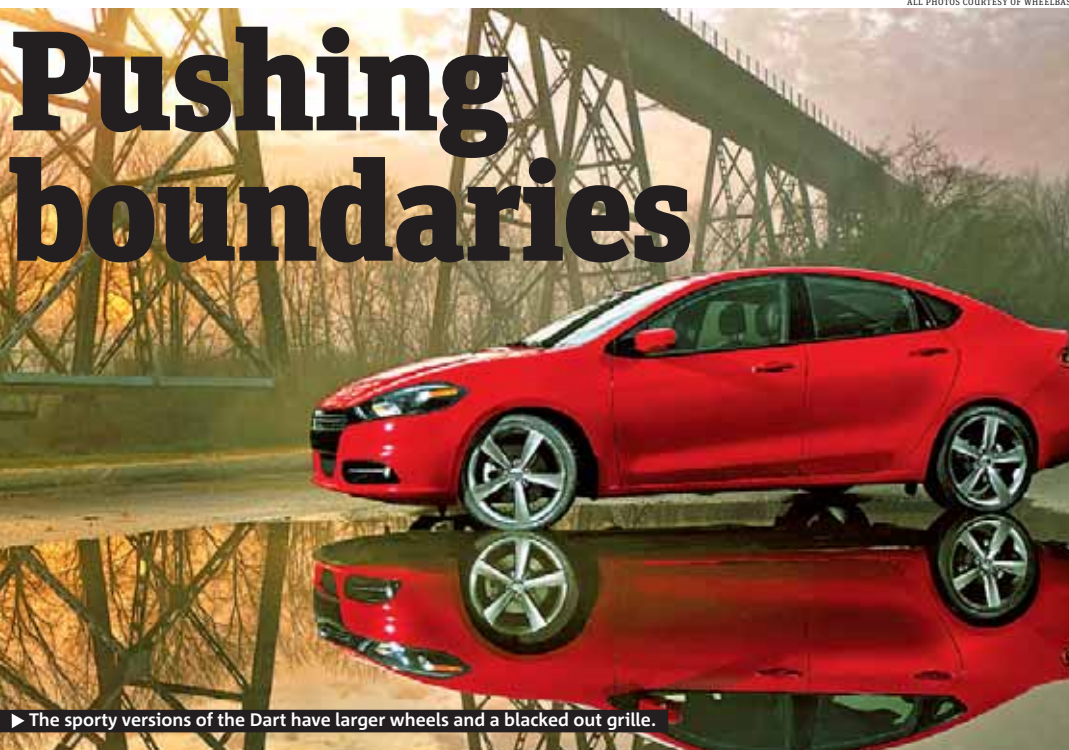


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► It's a compact four-door, front-drive, four-cylinder Dodge sedan, that's largely Fiat, and has the historic Dart name ... what could possibly go wrong?



► The Dart features superior cabin quality. A nice touch is the illuminated piping that wraps the perimeter of the controls.



► The sporty versions of the Dart have larger wheels and a blacked out grille.



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It was only a matter of time before this kind of thing happened. Fiat said all along it was going to bring its platforms to North America to backstop the Chrysler and Dodge brands and here's the first one.

Let the lynching begin. "Sorry but two words ... junk it ... it's not a Dodge Dart ..." writes someone on Dodge's own Facebook "fan" page.

"I think it is ugly and doesn't deserve the DART name!!" writes another seething soul on the Auto Shift Weekly Facebook page where a half dozen 2013 Dart photos are posted.

"I have a 1969 Dart (and) this is nothing like it in any way, shape or form."

OK, we get the picture. The new Dart is not an old Dart and it doesn't look like an old Dart. Was it supposed to? Did someone at Dodge say it would? Or is that naturally assumed just because of the name?

Using an old name doesn't mean that the old car comes with it. History is littered with examples of



► The Alfa Romeo Giulietta platform, left, according to Dodge, was enlarged and strengthened for the new Dart. Buyers will get a choice of three four-cylinder engines.



badges put on cars that were never intended to pay homage to the original, so why the outrage?

To put it rather mildly, Dodge fanatics are, well, exactly that. And then some.

"Italian crap, please, burn it to the ground! Dodge will never be FIAT!" writes another "hater."

Many are still angered by the fact the current Charger has four doors and not two, even though the new car is light years ahead of the original in terms of performance and comfort.

It's ironic, really, that those same people are trashing the Dart as nothing more than a badge on a Fiat. You don't see them trashing the coveted Dodge Challenger because it's essentially a two-door

150

Dodge says there are seven wheel options, 12 colours and apparently more than 150 customization options and themed packages for the car. You're going to get your Dart your way.

version of the maligned Charger, do you? Far from it.

So, if it's about the name and the number of doors, why wouldn't Dodge just call it something else in the first place, like Giulietta as the hatchback platform is known back in Italy?

Likely being sensitive to the Fiat-izing of the Dodge

brand — which Fiat saved, by the way — what better way to keep the connection with Dodge than to saddle what is largely an Italian compact car with an all-American one-syllable name: Dart.

But, Dodge fans are terminally nostalgic and no amount of song and dance is going to convince them that the new Dart by Fiat is deserving of the Dart badge.

"We want nostalgia ... and not just by use of a 'name.'"

Nostalgia?

The naysayers have foggy memories of what the old Dart was actually about: it's appeal was as a four-door grocery-getter and by the mid-1970s it was a cheaply made one at that.

Of course, the roman-

tics recall the sporty two-door models of the late 1960s and early 1970s that reached star status with their ability to take down cars with much larger engines.

In reality, they were a very small piece of the Dart pie. And the reality today is that Dodge needs a small car to sell as a competitor to the Ford Focus, Chevy Cruze and Hyundai Elantra, and not another rear-wheel-drive V-8 tire fryer like the Challenger SRT8 392.

And here it is. Available only as a front-wheel-drive sedan, 2013 Dart will be available with one of three four-cylinder engines, all of which are from Fiat, which is no problem since there are no other Dodge products to donate the powertrains.

The first is a 160-horsepower 2.0-litre four-cylinder. Optional is the 1.4-litre turbocharged "Multiair" four-cylinder. This will be the best choice for fuel economy and all-around power. It's lifted from the Fiat 500 Abarth model.

Multiair is a term that describes the variable intake-valve timing. There is no camshaft to actuate the valves. Instead they are controlled hydraulically by electronics, which means the valve timing for each cylinder can be tailored cylinder to cylinder and depending on engine revs and load. At the top is a 184-horsepower four-cylinder 2.4-litre non-turbo Multiair.

If you spend enough time examining the car, you just can't dismiss it based on its name or the fact it's part Italian ... from an Italian company that happens to own Ferrari.

Perhaps this Facebook post sums it up.

"... it's all good for me, name and all. Who cares where its origins come from, a real good move on Chryco's part. I don't hear anyone complaining where the Cruze or the Fiesta actually comes from! I think they finally got this right ... time will tell."

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2007-08 Honda Fit

Engine

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Verdict

Used car shoppers can expect the Fit to command a premium in the market, though above-average reliability, versatility and driving pleasure can be expected in return.

Common issues

On a test-drive, be sure to inspect your potential used Fit candidate for signs of rust or peeling and damaged paint. Be sure the rear hatch stays open on its own — and that the strut that lifts and supports it isn't worn out.

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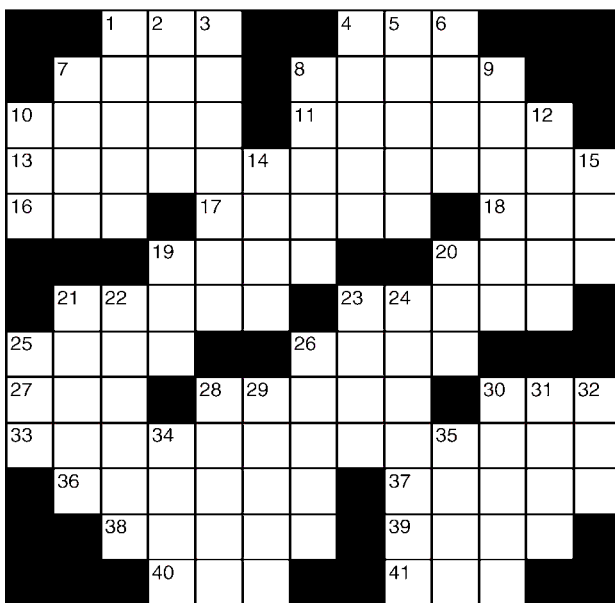
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- 18 Gratuity
- 19 Yank
- 20 Partner
- 21 Aroma
- 23 Gives as an example
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- 26 Discourteous
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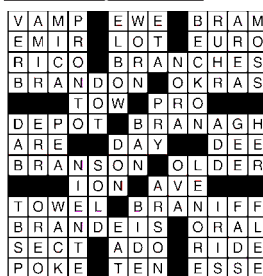


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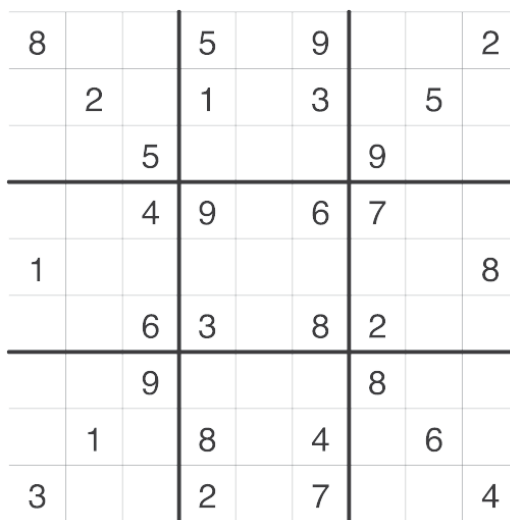
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MEET TOGETHER

Today's horoscope

♈ Aries March 21-April 20

This is a great time for you and the entry of Venus into your sign will make it 10 times better.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21

Pay a bit more attention to what other people are saying. If you don't you could lose out financially.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21

Whatever setbacks you may have endured of late, you can be confident that the worst is over.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22

Keep telling yourself that you are destined for greatness. It's not a long way from the truth as it happens, but you've got to believe it.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 23

If you need assistance with something today, you should find it easy enough to ask for it.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22

You are under no illusions as to what your limits are but you also know that you have talents other people do not possess.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23

This is one of the best times of the year for partnership matters, be they personal or professional.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Difficult decisions will come easy to you today but don't think you have to change everything.

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♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec.

21 With Venus on your side over the next few weeks, you don't have to smash your way to success.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

You'll go out of your way to be nice to family and friends, whether or not they have been nice to you.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

Keep things simple today. That applies to all areas of your life but especially to travel and social plans.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

You may be nice by nature but that does not mean you should let people off the hook when they've done wrong. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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